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## Toy and McManus Sponsor Resolution Honoring Michigan Troops

Senate Resolution 38 expresses support for troops and their families LANSING – The Michigan State Senate today unanimously approved Senate Resolution 38, a resolution sponsored by Senator Laura Toy and co-sponsored by Senator Michelle McManus to support Michigan troops and their families.

"As the nation stands on the brink of war it is important to recognize the brave men and women who are devoting their lives to fighting for the freedom and truth that is America," Toy, R-Livonia, Chair of the Senate Senior Citizens and Veterans Affairs, said. "The support of the Michigan Senate also goes out to the loved ones our troops must leave behind in order to fulfill their duty. Our thoughts and prayers will be with them daily, and I know that the support of Michigan stands behind them."

Senate Resolution 38 recognizes the commendable history of Michigan's military personnel to respond to the nation's call to duty in times of need. It acknowledges the dangerous missions of troops to protect the freedom, liberty and safety of families around the world. Special consideration is also paid to the enduring sacrifices and hardships faced by families of Michigan's military personnel on active duty, National Guard or Reserve.

"It is important that our troops and their families know of our support for them as they place themselves in harm's way and sacrifice in their endeavors to make the world a safe place for future generations," McManus, R-Lake Leelanau, said. "As part of a military family I understand the difficulties that Michigan families are facing, and I wish to offer them my sincere gratitude and prayers in this time of great national significance."

Residents who want to show support for troops through donations may do so through by contacting "Operation USO Care Package" at <a href="http://www.usometrodc.org/care.html">http://www.usometrodc.org/care.html</a> or through the American Red Cross Armed Forces Emergency Services at <a href="http://www.redcross.org/services/afes/">http://www.redcross.org/services/afes/</a>.

SR 38 will be transmitted to the Michigan Department of Military Affairs.